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Reference: FCC Docket Nos 96-45, 98-171, 90-571, 92-237, 99-200, 95-116, 98-170
and NSD File No. L-00-72.

Dear FCC:

I am writing to complain about the proposed changes to the Universal Service Fund and requesting that the FCC investigate this matter further before changing the current policy. Your proposed \$1.00 per month charge for all wireless phones will directly impact my ability to retain my wireless service.

I do not think it is fair to charge EVERYBODY \$1.00 dollar regardless of how they use their wireless phone, especially for a low-volume user that relies on wireless service for safety and security, not interstate calls. The current policy is fair, based on interstate usage, and should be left alone. Please do not penalize us. Keep this fair.

This is totally ridiculous and uncalled for. This type of phone, prepaid, is used by many people for emergency purposes only (i.e. roadside assistance, emergency calling for family members, etc.). And for the FCC to add a charge for the use of a phone of this nature is completely and utterly uncalled for. The government already has their hands deep enough in the pockets of the US taxpayers, and there is no need for them to have to dig any deeper. This charge is frivolous, and blatantly nothing more than a punishment for those of us who are trying to keep ourselves and our families safe and trying to save a few dollars in the process by purchasing a prepaid service. I hope that you listen to this and all the letters that you receive from people such as myself in the same predicament and take our opinions into consideration when deciding on whether to impose this charge on us. Remember that many people that use a prepaid service are doing so because they simply cant af!

ford the outrageous prices charged for a regular cell phone service, and imposing a charge of this nature will only result in people discontinuing their use of this service, which result in loss of business for yet another American company, taking our economy even farther down the spiral it is traveling. I thank you for your time, and I also thank you for your consideration of this and the many other letters that you have and will receive regarding this issue. Please do everything in your power to prevent the government from taking anymore money from us hard-working US citizens.

Very Truly Yours,

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. Please provide a written response indicating the status/resolution of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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